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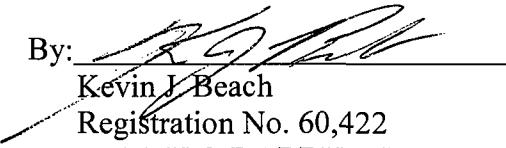
**COMMENTS ON STATEMENTS FOR REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Dear Sir:

With regard to the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance, the Examiner notes that certain prior art documents that are of record discuss aspects of sustainability ratings and/or rankings. The Examiner also cites to Dainoff for a display of a formula. Applicant submits that the recitations in the claims of record recite elements and an interrelationship of elements so as to define a system which is not known from any combination of the references.

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